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Springhill Dahlia Farm

R. R. No. 2
Grand Rapids, Michigan

COLLECTIONS

Please Read Carefully

These root collections are made up from varieties that have grown well in our own and other gardens we visited and should do well in your garden if given ordinary care. If you give them special care like spraying for insects, watering and the most important, good cultivation, you should be well rewarded for the extra care by the wonderful blooms. Of course there are some garden soils that cause failures, also improper planting and unfavorable weather, and we cannot guarantee the growth in your garden, but we do guarantee safe delivery and in good growing condition; also to be true to name, and will gladly replace any received and found otherwise, or make a satisfactory adjustment. Roots shipped anywhere in the United States.

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We guarantee all stock purchased from us to be true to name and delivered in good condition, and any stock received otherwise will be cheerfully replaced or properly adjusted. We should be promptly notified and roots returned, when complaint is made if you expect a replacement at once. Roots shipped by us and received by the purchaser with good eye showing can not be replaced. Not responsible in any case for more than the purchase price. On all replacements requested send 10 cents to cover postage and packing.

Roots cannot be replaced where loss is caused by excessive water rotting off the crown or roots in the ground.



Home of Springhill Dahlia Farm and Section of
Dahlia Show Garden

VISITORS WELCOME

Our show gardens are located on corner of Walker Ave. and 3 mile road, two and one-quarter miles north of West Leonard St. city limits. Call and get acquainted. It pays.

Our gardens and field plantings are at their best usually from September 15th on, as most of the late plantings are in bloom then. Many varieties bloom early in August even if we do not finish planting until July 1st.

GREETINGS FOR 1952

Another year has passed and I am presenting to you my 1952 book, hoping it meets with your approval.

Due to the higher cost of all expenses connected with the growing and handling of dahlias I could not reduce prices as much as usual and have had to increase the prices on a few but trust this will not inconvenience you very much.

Thank you for your past orders and the nice letters received.

I will be looking forward to your continued patronage.

Yours respectfully,
A. T. EDISON

Special Information

All orders, large or small, will be appreciated. Have your friends write a card for our catalogue, if you do not wish to keep our book and care to pass it on to some one interested, it will be appreciated.

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We ship roots that have been inspected and all out of the state orders will be accompanied by a certificate of inspection.

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One of the Largest Growers of Minatures in the Middle West

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CLASSIFICATION OF DAHLIAS

Formal Decorative Dahlias (F. D.). Informal Decorative Dahlias (I. D.). Incurved Cactus Dahlias (I. C.). Recurved and Straight Cactus Dahlias (R. C.). Semi-Cactus Dahlias (S. C.). Peony Dahlias (Peo.). Ball Dahlias (Ball). Show Dahlia (Show). Pom Pon Dahlias (Pom), and Miniatures [Min]. Rooted Cuttings [R. C.]

Abbreviation H. R. after Dahlia indicates an Honor Roll Dahlia.

FOR 1952

ROLL of HONOR DAHLIAS

**Achievement Medal Winners and
Blue Ribbon Dahlias
of Recent Introduction**

ADIRONDACK SUNSET (Cackener-Parkway, 1935)

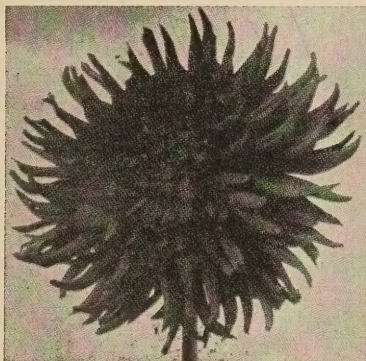
This aptly named variety has about everything a Dahlia can offer—color, form, personality, and splendid growing habits. The color is a brilliant scarlet red with golden tips, the center being tipped in golden orange.

Roots 60c

AILSA BELLE [Hulin]

Informal of raspberry red with a shade lighter on reverse. Extra long stems, a fine keeper and great producer of both flowers and roots.

Roots 75c



ALCAZAR

ALCAZAR [Ballay, 1946] S. C.

Deep fuchsia red with a trace of cerise. A new and charming color in a large finely formed new semi-cactus. Outstanding for beauty and distinctiveness. Achievement Medal Winner at Milwaukee.

Roots \$1.50

ALICIA SCHRAFFT [Swezey, 1949], S. C.

Exquisite in both color and form. A lovely true deep pink (rose pink). The beautifully formed blooms have high centers and the petals are slightly lacinated. Size 9 to 10 inches. Foliage dark and rugged for Cactus types. Blooms facing on long, strong stems. A Blue Ribbon winner.

Roots \$2.00

ALMINA [Rivel-Premier, 1944] S. C. or StC.

Bloom 3½ x 3 inches, bush 3½ ft. A clear light lemon yellow. Has plenty of substance and good stems. Sure to be a winner.

Roots 60c



AGNES E. JAMES

AGNES E. JAMES [Str. Cac-Bochau-Aumuller, 1951]

A bright persimmon orange. Size 7 by 4 inches; stems 10 to 12 inches. Free bloomer. Bush 5 feet. H.R.

Roots \$4.00

ALICE McLEAN [Lewis-Franklin, 1941], S. C.

The outstanding Dahlia of the North Western Pacific Coast and Winner of Two Achievement Medals. Color, rich dark maroon-red with lighter reverse. Plants grow medium height and a good cut flower.

Roots 50c

ALICE MAY [Australian] I. D.

A really great new white; sensational we would say. A tremendous flower with a beautiful artistic formation. Clean, strong, long stems and without doubt one of the greatest white Dahlias to date. Extra fine.

Roots \$1.00 Net

ALL AMERICAN, [Salem, 1941], Semi-Cac.

Color mulberry rose suffused salmon with wax yellow at base of petals. The petals twist somewhat and point in all directions. The bushes are six feet high and are covered with immense blooms which are held on straight stems. This is a very hardy variety. It won the American Home Achievement medal at Wisconsin State Show at Milwaukee; it was most outstanding specimen bloom at both Peekskill and Poughkeepsie. It was first Semi-cactus at the Central States Show and blue ribbon winner in several other shows.

Roots 85c

ARISTOS

4 ft., velvety violet red, tipped white. Enormous flowers on stiff stems. Beautiful exhibition variety. Certificate Netherlands Dahlia Society 1945.

Roots \$1.00

AUTUMN BLAZE A-ID-BI [Johnson] 1948.

This variety is fiery red early in the season; later, it is red centered with shades of gold toward the ends of the petals, a very striking color combination. The large, deep blooms are "at home" in the big bloom classes. Size 11x6.

Roots \$2.00

AUTUMN LITES [Dixie, 1947], F. D.

Buff with pink and yellow shadings. A large, early and constant bloomer. Deeply lacinated petals add greatly to its beauty. On both Roberts' and Eddy's Honor Rolls.

Roots 85c

AXFORD TRIUMPH [Australian] I. D.

Color apricot to orange. A huge Dahlia of exhibition variety. Robust plant that can carry 6 to 7 blooms at one time. Foliage insect resistant.

Roots \$1.00

BARBAROSA [Ballego], F. D.

Bloom 7 x 5, bush 4 ft. About the brightest scarlet in Dahliadom. Full centers, strong stems, and a good keeper for cutting.

Roots \$1.25

Edison's Dahlias

BEAUTIFUL LADY [Forest View, 1945], F. D.

Bright lemon yellow. 8-10 inch blooms, good stems, bush 5-6 feet tall. Rugged grower, insect resistant foliage, profuse and early. A good root maker and they keep well. Scored 84 at East Lansing. On Pacific Honor Roll.

Roots 75c

BEAUTY QUEEN [Carlisle, 1949], S. C.

Beautiful deep rose pink of finest color and form, and especially fine keeper, with blooms 9-10 inches in size. Bush medium height and vigorous grower. Winner of American Home Achievement Medal.

Roots \$2.00

BEDFORD BEAUTY [Franks, 1946], I. C.

Winner of the A. H. Achieve. Medal in 1943, best undisseminated seedling, and best cactus in the show. It is an early and free-flowering cactus with a new formation, having evenly narrow petals from tip to base. Color, light amaranth pink with white around the center. Long wiry stems, excellent exhibition and cut flower novelty.

Roots 90c

BEGONIA ROSE [FD. 6 in.]

6 in. deep pink. This dahlia is much sought after by florists. The long stemmed crown flowers in late June and early July bring the highest price. Blooms profusely all season.

Roots 90c

BEST OF ALL [S. C. To Inc. Cac, 1950] From Africa

A beautiful red with reverse of deep lavender to purple, giving it a purple red cast. 8 to 10 inch blooms; long pointed petals.

Roots \$3.00

BEN MARTIN [Steinly, 1947] F. D.

Very dark red, attractive black velvety sheen at center, large with good foliage and stems, medium early bloomer, 5 feet. A fine introduction.

Roots \$1.10



BESS

SMITH

BESS SMITH (Anderson) I. D., 1943

Winner Derrill Hart Medal in 1941, scoring 85 at 3 trial grounds. This large Pure White "A" type prize winning and Honor Roll Dahlia was the big sensation at the A.D.S. Trial Grounds in 1941, scoring a Certificate of Merit at Storrs, Conn., Cincinnati, Ohio, and Fairmount, W. Va., thereby winning the much coveted Derrill Hart Medal. It is pure white, with hardly a trace of cream or other tint. Its petals are wavy and placed close, making a thick petaled and pleasing form. Size average is about 8½ inches to 10½, depth 6 inches, with wiry 15-inch stems holding flowers on side. Bush is 3 feet tall with light green and very pest resistant foliage. It is an excellent keeper when cut and makes a superb basket Dahlia.

Roots \$1.00

BILL JACK [Franks, 1947], S. C.

Exhibition A-B. White and very round for semi-cactus. Profuse boomer.

Roots \$1.50

BILL'S DELIGHT [Australian 1946], I. D.

Another fine dahlia. Color, salmon and old rose faintly tipped gold giant bloom with long stems, height about 3 feet.

Roots \$1.50

BILL'S SPLENDOR, I. D. [S. D. G.] 1942

A deep tyrian pink, the most glowing and brightest of any pink dahlia we have ever grown. It grows 11 by 7 inches, actual measurement made by Lynn B. Dudley, past president A. D. S. The blooms are facing on long, straight stems. Bush growth about 6 feet, very hardy with dark, green foliage. On Honor Rolls.

Roots \$1.25 Net

BLACK MONARCH SC [Pape-Rocky River]

A very dark oxblood red, aptly described by a garden visitor as "the big misty black dahlia." A strong grower and free bloomer. Stems are long and strong holding the flower well above the plant. Blooms have a lot of substance and keep well after cutting. Size 10 by 5 inches.

Roots \$1.25

BLUE HORIZON [Tryon-Franklin, 1945], I. D.

Winner of the American Home Achievement Medal and Honor Roll Dahlia. Large blooms of French Violet with a decided blue cast. Long pointed petals with absolutely tight centers. Good stiff stem holds the flower well out of the foliage. Bush tall (six feet) and low branching. This dahlia has always won the blue ribbon whenever shown. Excellent keeping qualities, on the bush and when cut.

Roots 85c

BLUE RIVER, F. D.

Color as near to a blue Dahlia as we have ever seen.

Roots 50c

BLUE ROSE [Keiser, 1943], F. D.

Color a light yellow base, overlaid bluish-rose giving it a beautiful blue effect. Blooms 9 by 3 inches and held on long stiff stems up to 30 inches in length. Free bloomer and one of the finest for beauty and cutting. A florists delight.

Roots 90c



B. C. or BRITISH COLUMBIA [Beals Boyle-Rocky River, 1950] Dec.

A very large dahlia from 9 to 12 inches. Color mauve pink to lavender and cream. A good grower and winner of many show prizes. An H. R. dahlia.

Roots \$2.50

BROTHER JUSTINUS SC-Or.

A Belgium variety of special merit as a cut flower, and it is also suitable for exhibition. Vivid orange with lighter centers. Excellent, long stems. Profuse bloomer. Size 7x3½.

Roots \$1.25

CALIFORNIA IDOL (Ballay, 1935), I. D.

Another giant yellow with a coast-to-coast show record. Has been called the "yellow Murphy's Masterpiece". Color, true, clear glistening yellow, a true pastel shade and held on the best of stems.

Roots 50c

CALIFORNIA PAGEANT [Ballay, 1947], I. D.

Bright gold with bronze shadings. Giant in size. One of the best 1947 introductions. 10-12 inch blooms, 6 in. deep.

Roots \$1.25

**CAPT. CEDARQUIST, [Frank's Dahlia Gardens, 1941],
Str. In C.**

A seedling of Miss Belgium but more superior in size, depth and form. A great prize winner under the 8-inch class. Color bright salmon orange, shading into a lighter tone at the tips. Long strong stems. First class cut-flower and exhibition variety. Winning two American Home Achievement Medals at Toledo and Wellsville Shows.

Roots 50c

CARL G. DAHL (Scott, 1938), I. D.

Color amberglow with golden sheen and a sweet brier reverse. Healthy bush; height about 5½ feet; insect resistant; blooms from early summer till frost; blooms 11 to 14 inches; a Dahlia to make you proud of your garden. Selected for the Honor Roll by J. W. Johnson.

Roots 65c

CAROLINA MAID, (Robens, 1940), I.D.

Mr. J. W. Johnston describes this one as, outer petals deep rose with salmon suffusion; the center is lemon yellow with deep rose tipping. Very large blooms on good strong stems. Plants about five feet high. On the House Beautiful Honor Roll and winner of a Certificate of Merit scoring 86 at East Lansing, Mich. Very fine.

Roots 50c

CAROLINE KERNOCHAN [Fioretti-Parrella, 1946], I. D.

For those who have not seen it, let me say it is something entirely different from what you have ever seen before. The blend of the color combination is entirely new and unusually exquisite. No words can give an accurate description. Color: Center pale Lemon Yellow. Outer petals blushed deep Rose Red. A fine growing plant with insect resisting foliage. Blooms are held facing on long cane-like stems. Size of blooms 7 inches. Height 4½ feet. An Honor Roll dahlia

Roots \$1.50 Net

CHARLES L. MASTICK, F. D. [Mastick]

Massive blooms of a true formal and very deep. The bushes are medium low but the deep apricot blooms are above the foliage on strong stems. Excellent keeper both on the bush and when cut.

Roots 65c

CHEMAR'S DAHLIAMUM (Chemar, 1940), I. D.

A striking new type of informal. Very similar to a huge Japanese Chrysanthemum. Color a bright Cadium apricot with a golden sheen. The extra long petals recurve to stem, forming a very deep flower which is held erect on long stiff stems, well above a large six-foot plant. Blooms average 12 inches by 10 inches. Even under ordinary field culture the centers are always full. Certified at the A. D. S. trial grounds with a score of 86 and notation, "We consider this a good dahlia." Also featured in Dudley's Honor Roll.

Roots 75c

CHEROKEE BRAVE, Ricks, 1939, (I. D.)

Color, dark glowing carmine. Does not burn or fade. Long stiff stems hold the large blooms perfect. Good strong grower. Blooms last season 11 inches by 6.

Roots 65c

CHAUTAUQUA DAWN [Wallace, 1940], Cac.

A very worthy addition to the largest size exhibition cactus varieties. The blooms range from 9 to 12 inches. The ground color is light yellow overlaid mallow pink, the center being mostly yellow. The effect is orange-pink and yellow. The flowers are facing to half erect on long, stiff stems, easily disbudged. Free bloomer until frost. A very beautiful and artistic dahlia. Certificate of Merit at East Lansing.

Roots 60c

CHAUTAUQUA GIANT [FD] [WALLACE]

Orange color. Giant in size. Good grower.

Roots 60c

CHIEF KOKOMO, I. D.

This beautiful cut flower should be listed as a small formal decorative. It has very long stems and the color is dark lavender. It does not fade out as many lavenders but holds true throughout the season. We recommend it to all our customers.

Roots 50c

CINDERELLA [Sarett, 1948], Cac.

The exquisite blended cactus. A blend of pure deep pink with a cream center, tipped with lavender. A thickly petaled incurved cactus in type, always symmetrical and clean in formation. Blooms 7-8 in. in depth. Stems are 8-13 in. straight and strong. The bush is 5 ft., is a dependable grower, with slightly crinkled dark foliage that is insect resistant. Winner of many awards.

Roots \$1.75

CINNAMON BEAUTY [Holland, 1946], I. D.

Mikado orange with Mallow pink on reverse. Beautiful autumn colouring. Tall, vigorous plants with heavy foliage. Flowers on straight stems producing a continual display of large flowers. Stems 11 to 20 inches long. Flowers 7 to 10 inches and 2 to 4 inches deep. Certificate Trial Garden winner.

Roots \$1.25

CITY OF BUFFALO [Wallace, 1940], I. D.

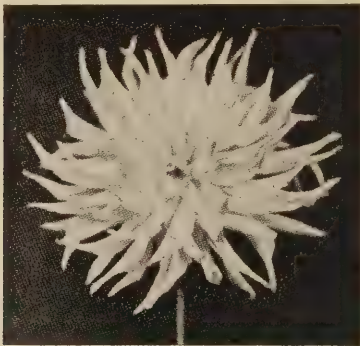
A real red dahlia. There are no adjectives to fully describe this reddest of all red dahlias. The blooms are 6-in. by 9-in. in diameter, facing on fine straight stems. The bushes are husky growers and insect resistant and produce great quantities of blooms. Some blooms come with open centers in hot weather and late in season.

Roots 50c

CLARA CARDER (Kemp, 1936), Dec.

One of the greatest pink decorative Dahlias we have ever grown. Its formation is on the border line between formal and informal decorative, and is in a color class by itself, it being a beautiful shade of clear Cyclamen pink, the only Dahlia we know of this color. The blooms are produced in the greatest profusion from early season until cut down by frost. (H. R.)

Roots 40c



CLARA HOOK

CLARA HOOK [Wolbert-Rocky River, 1947], St. C. to S. C.

Winner of the highest seedling honor bestowed by the American Dahlia Society, the Derrill W. Hart Medal, awarded for the highest average score at three trial grounds. Winner in the large bloom division. Also awarded three Certificates of Merit, winner of American Home Achievement Medals at Toledo and Louisville, on all three Honor Rolls. The color is golden-yellow, lightly suffused apricot on outer petals. Blooms 7 to 10 inches of excellent substance. A fine keeper when cut. Bushes tall, with glossy dark green foliage. A free bloomer.

Roots \$1.25

CLARIAM FANCY SC-1949, [Wolbert-Rocky River]

A semi cactus with broad lacinated petals of very good substance. The color is light yellow at the centers shading deeper and suffused with rose on outer portions of the petals. Reverse has a deeper rose suffusion which shows on the twisting petals. Strong stems. Plants spreading in growth. Bloom size 7½x4.

Roots \$1.50

CLARIAM KELTON [Wolbert-Rocky River, 1945], I. D.

Bloom 10-11 x 5. A free-blooming variety of flame red with a yellow reverse which shows on the face of the flower as the petals curl and twist. Distinctive in form as well as in color effect. Fairly tall grower, with glossy green foliage. Achievement Medal winner at Toledo, Ohio.

Roots 75c

Latest Honor Rolls Grown

CLASS [Salem, 1941], F. D.

One of the largest sulphur yellow formal decorative dahlias to date. Grown up to 15 inches, petals fall back toward stem when fully out. Strong, straight stems hold flowers directly on top. Bush rugged.

Roots 50c

COL. A. G. RUDD [Geneva, 1943], J. D.

Rich carmine with deeper mahogany red at center. Size of flower 11 to 12 inches, depth, $7\frac{1}{2}$ inches and held on strong stiff stems. Winner A. D. S. show at New York and on Honor Roll.

Roots \$1.15

COLIN KELLY JR., I. D. [Salem, 1943], Phlox-pink

A very large one, with blooms 12 inches or more with close disbudding. Stems are slender and long, holding flowers above bush. Bush height about 4 to $4\frac{1}{2}$ feet generally. Advise use of potash with this one because in wet weather the stems have difficulty holding the big blooms.

Roots \$1.25

COLUMBIA, (Cuyahogo, 1942), S.C.

General effect orange, deep gold at center, peach pink on outer two-thirds of flower. Size $11\frac{1}{2}$ by 7 inches. Won the Achievement Medal, as well as largest and most perfect bloom at Cleveland. All blooms in this exhibit over 12 by at least 9 inches deep. Won Achievement Medal at East Liverpool. It can be coaxed to unfold a mighty large bloom.

Roots \$1.10

COMMANDO [F. D., 1943] Golden Rule.

A clear shade of lavender or true phlox purple and very bright. Large clean flowers from 10 to 14 inches and held on long stiff stems. An achievement medal winner.

Roots 40c

CONSUL H. PU VOGEL [Australian], I. D.

A large beautiful white. Free branching and good bloomer. Strong 10 to 25 inch stems, 5 foot bush, strong grower, foliage excellent. One of the finest whites.

Roots \$1.00

CROYDON ACME, [Australian], I.D.

Here is another Australian "Grand Champion" that has been highly recommended to us. Most beautiful heliotrope pink. Large flowers and fine stems. A winner.

Roots \$1.00

CROYDON GLORY [Australian, 1935], F. D.

Beautiful formation of slightly different tone of light yellow. Blooms are a little larger than Monmouth Queen. One of the best of the newer varieties. Fine grower.

Roots 80c

CROYDON SUPREME, [Australian], I. D.

Grand large clear medium yellow 8 to 10 inches across and 3 to 4 inches in depth. Petals long and of good width, with cleft tips. Good straight stiff stems and free bloomer. Bushes 5 ft. high, vigorous growth.

Roots \$1.00

DARCY SAINSBURY, F. D., (Australian)

One of the finest whites we ever grew. This Dahlia came to us from Australia. This is a champion, without exaggerating. The immense blooms are erect on cane-like stems, facing sideways. Height of plants $4\frac{1}{2}$ feet.

Roots 75c

D-DAY [Dixie, 1945], F. D.

This is a soft pink of one shade. 7 by 4 inch blooms, held on long stiff stems. Fine for cutting.

Roots 50c

DADDY WALKER [Retzer], I. D.

A sport of Daddy Kemp. A most distinctive and attractive Dahlia with ground color a deep pink, heavily striped and dotted mahogany red. Bush vigorous, early bloomer and makes good roots.

Roots \$1.00

DEAN SHURTLEFF, [Rockley 1942], I. D.

Semi-Cactus, very large brilliant Crimson shading to an Oxblood Center. Stems are straight and stiff as steel — never droops, even in bud—9 to 13 inches to first leaf bracket. One of the finest I have in my garden. Also winner of Achievement Medal — Certificate of Merit and mentioned on three Honor Rolls.

Roots \$1.50 Net



DEEP VELVET

DEEP VELVET [Baker-Ruschmohr, 1947], F. D.

A formal decorative of dark deep carmine with an overlay of ox-blood red. Diameter 8 to 10 inches; depth $4\frac{1}{2}$ to $5\frac{1}{2}$. Stems are 10 to 14 inches, straight and stiff. Bush $4\frac{1}{2}$ to 5 feet. Excellent dark green leathery foliage. Winner of 2 American Home Achievement Medals, also winner of 2 certificates A. D. S. Trial Grounds.

Roots \$1.75

DELMARVA [1944], I. D.

Fine large dahlia of orange with shadings of red. Free bloomer and good strong stems.

Roots 70c

DETROITER [Fleming 1935] F. D.

A grand dark red, nearly a maroon; early and constant bloomer. Flowers six to nine inches held on fine stiff stems. Fine for basket work or cutting.

Roots 60c

DIRECTOR M. A. HOWE [Paralls-Hulin Blamer, 1938], F. D.

Another very successful release of the past. Very large. Color Tyrian rose to cerise. Height 3 feet.

Roots 90c

DIXIE'S WINE DOT [Dixie, 1943], I. D.

Variegated. Color white, wavy petals flecked and dotted light ampro purple and also deep rhodamine purple. Size 10 to 12 inches to $4\frac{1}{2}$ and 5 inches. Do not disbud and debranch too much. Everybody liked it in my garden this season.

Roots \$1.25

Prize Winning Varieties

DONNA H. JONES, [Crystal D. Gadns, 1948], S. C.

Medium sized pink with white center. Long stiff cane-like stems. A fine color and free bloomer. Extra fine for cutting, bush 3-4 feet.

Roots \$1.10

DOREEN E. [Eccleston, 1950], S. C.

A very prim straight cactus of deep Reddish Purple. Blooms average eight inches in diameter. Each petal deeply lacinated. A real addition to the Purple cactus class.

Roots \$2.50

DUKE OF WINDSOR, [Australian], L. D.

Blooms 11 x 6. This wonderful dahlia is undoubtedly the pick of the newer introductions. The color is best described as very solid dark red. A real champion.

Roots \$1.25

EAST ROW [F. D., 1942, Golden Rule]

Size 10 x 5. Bush 5 $\frac{1}{3}$ feet. Color soft Nopal red, on very stiff straight stems. Foliage is very heavy and insect resistant. This dahlia is one of the earliest to bloom and grows like a weed. A sure fire grower and bloomer, and can be used for either cutting or exhibition. Achievement Medal Winner at Cincinnati in 1941. Certificate of Merit in 1941 at the East Lansing Trial Grounds.

Roots \$1.50 Net

EDGAR GUEST [Koenig, 1944], I. D.

Closed center petals pale lemon yellow, other petals picric yellow with outer petals Martins' yellow. Blooms 5 to 11 inches by 3 to 7 inch depth. Free Blooming and beautiful flowers on stiff stems of good length. Very fine when cut.

Roots \$1.00

EDNA D. [Diffenderffer-Loller-Rocky River, 1949], S. C.

A huge Straight Cactus of bright rose red, which has been grown fourteen inches in diameter. A strong, tall grower with heavy dark green foliage. This variety can dominate the class for large red cactus. Stems are good. Petals broad and not too tightly rolled. Very impressive in the garden and on the show tables. Size 11 x 5.

Roots \$2.00

EMMA CAROLINE [Swezey], F. D. 1949

Outstanding for beauty and ruggedness, this clean white may be grown to large proportions for the field grown blooms average 10 by 7 inches. The tough heavy foliage is not molested by insects. A winner of the American Home Achievement Medal. Scored 85.5. Bushes are rugged and strong and grow 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ feet tall.

Roots \$2.00



VIEW OF 3 ACRE FIELD

EMMA WALKER (Mac Dowell, 1939), S. C.

A very large flower that was good enough to win the American Home Achievement Medal. An early profuse flowering habit, splendid plant and stems. Color yellow shaded old rose with some lavender showing on tips of unopened petals. Very fine.

Roots 60c

ESSIE



SMITH

ESSIE SMITH [Smith 85A, 1945], S. C.

Bloom 12 x 6½, Bush 5 ft. A borderline between lavender and pink, although best described as an amaranth pink. Recommended as one of the best for 1945, and on all 3 Honor Rolls. Petals curl to the very points. Large flowers of unusually good substance, and strong stems. Won 2 Achievement Medals in 1944, and a winner at shows in 1945.

Roots \$1.15

EXQUISITE [I. D.]

A lovely bloom of pure waxy white with a touch of lavender at the center when first opening, fading out to pure white.

Roots 50c

FAITHFUL [Dahliadel, 1945], S. C.

Faithful in shape and color is like Michigan White, but is a larger flower. Blooms 10 inches by 5½. Bush medium. It should win in the semi-cactus white class. Highly recommended to us.

Roots \$1.00

FANNY SANDT [V. & M.], S. C.

Color rose pink. One of the most beautiful formed varieties in this class. A color that fairly dazzles in the sunlight, and shows up brilliantly under artificial light. The blooms are of large size, and of good depth. Stiff stems, well above and out of the foliage.

Roots 60c

FAVORITA [Ballay, 1944], I. C. to S. C.

Canary yellow. Best yellow cactus. The outer petals of this true type cactus fold well back to the stem. Bloom is of good size and stem is always good.

Roots \$1.00

FIGARO [France], S. C.

Bright yellow striped red. A sport of Satan with similar qualities. An excellent bi-color although a certain percentage of the blooms will come solid red.

Roots \$1.15

FIREGLEAM [Johnson, 1951], Str. C.

A medium size straight cactus; orange, nasturtium red and canary yellow. The flowers, of excellent form, are held facing the side on stems ten to fifteen inches long. Achievement Medal winner at Philadelphia, and listed on Flower Grower's Honor Roll.

Roots \$5.00 Net

Over 50 Varieties Pom Pons

FIVE STAR GENERAL [Ramage, 1946], F. D.

Blend of amaranth pink and tyrian pink, arranged in lines intermingled, petals edged maize yellow, rendering a pastel effect, which is quite attractive. Very large blooms 10 to 13 inches 5½ to 6 inches. Strong stems. Blooms facing side, petals pointed. Sturdy plant growth, about 5½ ft. tall. Excellent foliage. Free and constant bloomer from early to late in the season. Received 4 Trial Ground Certificates and on 3 Honor Rolls.

Roots \$1.15

FLAMING SUNSET [Northbrook, 1949], I. D.

A medium sized bloom of soft orange flame. On two honor Rolls and Certificate of Merit.

Roots 85c

FRANCES H. ARCHER, F. D.

Rich lavender violet and a cut flower.

Roots 60c

FRIEDA GAYLORD [Ballay, 1946], I. D.

Rosy pink with light golden shadings. Remarkable size and vigor. That it is one of the truly great dahlias of all time is not an idle statement. The combination of unusual qualities present in this variety is seldom seen in any dahlia. Achievement Medal Winner at San Francisco.

Roots \$1.75

GEMMA CLARA [SC]

Primrose yellow. 4 to 5 inch blooms. Fine for cutting.

Roots 50c

GEN. EISENHOWER [Holland 85A], 1947

Bloom 9x5, bush 4 ft. A popular Foreign novelty of bright Turkey red. Fine for exhibition and garden. Good substance. Fine foliage and long erect stems.

Roots \$1.65

GENERAL JOHN J. PERSHING [Ward, 1945], S. C.

This is a sport of that ever prize-winning dahlia Virginia Rute, with a new and pleasing color of a coral and jasper red with chrome flush. There appear some lines of violet on the petal. You can grow this as big as you can grow Virginia Rute. Foliage and growing habits are identical to that of Virginia Rute. Received a Certificate of Merit in East Lansing and West Virginia in 1943. Winner of The American Home Achievement Medal in St. Louis in 1943. Listed on Mid-Western Honor Roll and the Eastern Honor Roll of the Flower Grower.

Roots \$1.15

GERRIE HOEK [DeR 85B], FD

Bloom 5x3, bush 3 ft. Rhodamine pink with slight yellow shading at base of petals. Prolific. Perfect for cutting and arrangements. A beauty.

Roots 65c

GENE STRATTON PORTER (McIlhany, 1939), I. D.

A grand ruby red, Blooms 10 by 7 inches and a free bloomer.

Roots 50c

GERTRUDE LAWRENCE (Ballay, 1939), I. D.

Light cerise red held on long stiff stems way above the foliage. Can easily be grown 12 inches and free blooming. Achievement and gold medal winner.

Roots 65c

GLAMOUR [Wm. Nunniviller, 1937], I. D.

An immense true purple with each petal edged Amaranth pink. Looks like a pink one in the show room. Long strong stems and has been grown to 14 inches. Winner at Cleveland and the American Home Achievement medal at Baltimore. One of the best Dahlias in our garden last year. Won many prizes since 1939.

Roots 85c Net

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GOLDEN BEAUTY (Silvernale-Oakleigh, 1938), I. D.

Golden apricot. An outstanding Dahlia which can be grown to 14 inches. As the bloom advances the petals curl backwards. Certificated at Storrs and East Lansing. A really fine Dahlia, and one which should be more widely grown.

Roots 70c

GOLD MINE, [Wallace, 1943], F. D.

A free blooming dahlia size 6 by 9 inches, held on good straight stiff stems. Color pinard yellow.

Roots 50c

GOULBURN, I. C.

A very large Australian cactus which fills a real need on the show table. Flowers have a deep lemon base blending to reddish apricot at the tips of the petals. Very outstanding in our garden.

Roots \$1.50

GRAND CHAMPION [Kemp, 1948], Str. Cac.

This great dahlia is a clear coppery bronze, no other known dahlia like it, no other of its type as large. Bush 6 to 7 feet. Plant early for best results. On two Honor Rolls.

Roots \$1.50

GREAT LAKES [Marsh-Rocky River, 1948], I. D.

White, with early blooms very lightly tinted lavender at tips. An easy-to-grow variety which blooms very early and profusely. Stems are long, clean and stiff, holding the flower facing side to top. Achievement Medals at Milwaukee, Southtown, (Chicago), and Birmingham. On all Honor Rolls.

Roots \$1.35

HILL'S PINK SUPREME [Hill, 1939] I. D.

8 inch clear deep rose pink on very good stem. Foliage is heavy and insect resistant. Fine for cutting.

Roots \$1.00

HOUGHTON GEM, [Australian], I. D.

An Australian origination. Color, rich creamy yellow shaded pink with deeper center on the best of stems. Can easily be grown 11 inches. Good exhibition variety.

Roots 40c

HUNT'S VELVET WONDER [Hunt-Burnett Bros.], I. D.

Has the distinction of receiving a special award of merit at the New York Show. It is an excellent keeper for so huge a flower. Color is rich, bright violet burgundy which under some lights looks royal purple.

Roots 60c

INCADESCENT (Weyers-Parella), I. D.

The color is rich rosy buff with a shading of yellow reverse light old rose. Scored 85 at East Lansing Trial Gardens. Large blooms on cane-like stems make this a real attraction.

Roots 50c

IRENE RICH [Parrella, 1950], S. C.

Color Rose Bengal blended Apricot, with Cadmium Orange. General effect bright Rose Red. An artistic and beautiful dahlia with lacinated petals and a distinct color. A Gold Medal Certificate winner at the A.D.S. Show, N. Y. 1949. Free and profuse bloomer early and late. Blooms large. Foliage healthy, spreading tall.

Roots \$4.00

IVORY FLAME [Rockley, 1947], I. D. Bicolor

Color is Ivory and Scarlet. Size 5 in. to 6 in., with perfect stems. Made to order for cutting. Score 83.6 at East Lansing for 1946.

Roots 85c

JANE LAUSCHE [Wolbert-Rocky River 85A, 1945], S. C.

Bloom 10 x 5, bush 5-6 ft. An outstanding bi-color in a new color combination of soft mallow purple with white tips. Scored 86 at East Lansing in 1943. Winner of many Achievement Medals, and on all 3 Honor Rolls.

Roots \$1.25

JENNY LIND [84], I. D.

A magnificent, big pink flower on tall, clean foliaged plants. The color is a silvery pastel mallow shade but very clear and pleasing. (Ridgway's color chart: La France Pink). Honor Roll, 1931.

Roots 50c

JEAN TRIMBEE [Trimbee], S. C.

New large, long petaled, thick flower of *Petunia* violet. Tall strong grower. Good stems. (H. R.).

Roots 60c

JERSEY'S DAINTY [Waite]

Straight cactus. A lovely and very satisfactory *Dahlia*, white with a faint over-tone of pink. At times some of the flowers were pure white. The stem is fine, and it is a profuse bloomer.

Roots 45c

JERSEY'S MELODY [Waite, 1932], S. C.

Tyran rose, shading to silver tips, with silver reverse. A very striking variety held on stiff stems. (H. R.)

Roots 50c

JINI MARIE [Collins, 1950], S. C.

Medium sized *dahlia* in a clear Shell Pink, shading to Yellow toward the base of the petals. Semi-Cactus to Cactus, on good stems, size about 6½x4½. An early and profuse bloomer you will love.

Roots \$2.50

JOAN FERENZ [Rindfleisch-Ruschmohr 85A, 1945], S. C.

Bloom 11 x 7, bush 5 ft. A seedling of Jane Cowl of lemon yellow suffused rose red. Grows large with little disbudding. A good keeper, with dark and insect-resistant foliage. Won the Achievement Medal in New York in 1944.

Roots \$1.00

JOAN CARROL F. D., [Australia]

Color is a very rich deep lavender. Good stem, holding 8 to 10 inch blooms of good depth out of the bush at an angle on stiff stems.

Roots \$1.50

JOAN PHILLIPS, JR., [Samuel-Parella, 1945], I. D.

Bi-color, mallow-purple, with generous pointed white tips. Petals are speared and jagged, lending interest. Size 7 by 4½ inches, stems wiry, strong, 10 inches. Very attractive and good keeper. Bush 5 feet.

Roots \$1.00

JOSEPH A. MCGINNIES (Wallace, 1940), I. D.

Deep, velvety, glowing, garnet red with black shadows. The blooms are of good exhibition size on long straight stems. The rich coloring is even throughout the flower and is not streaked or spotted, even in hot sun. It is unusually insect resistant and is a heavy and continuous bloomer. The flowers are facing to erect. This *dahlia* is a great advancement in its color class.

Roots 75c

JULIA IRENE [Parella-Hulin], I. D.

A seedling of Kathleen Norris, but a much improved variety. Taller bushes, better stems, better qualities and a fine root producer. The color is rose pink with streaks of deeper pink. You will fall in love with Julia the minute you see her.

Roots 75c



KELVIN

KELVIN [Australian, 1945] I. D.

The color of the flowers is deep peach pink with very large blooms and is a fine new introduction. Always one of the top winners, as largest bloom in show.

Roots \$1.75

KELVIN PINK, Str. C.

6-7 inch. Light persian rose. Bush 3½ feet., openly branching in growth. Flowers are on long slender stems.

Roots \$1.10

KELVIN SUNRISE S. C. [Australian]

This is a startling introduction as regards color. It is of a rich yellow, each petal heavily tipped with burnt orange. 3 to 5 inch blooms are well formed and freely produced on good stems. A real beauty.

Roots \$1.00

KEMP'S RED PILOT [Kemp, 1939], I. D.

A grand red Dahlia. The color is very brilliant and a new red between carmine and Nobel red. Free bloomer, flower held on slender stiff stems above the luxuriant dark green foliage. Grows up to 6 feet.

Roots 65c

KENTUCKY [Wigginton], Dec.

A wonderful new shade of creamy pink. Long stems, excellent cut flower, good keeper.

Roots 40c

KENTUCKY SPORTSMAN (White, 1938) I. D.

One of the finest and largest of the new bi-colors. Color, center lemon-yellow, outer 60 per cent of the petals a rich golden amber with old rose reverse and tipped white.

Roots 60c

KILGORE'S LUCIFER [Kilgore, 1940], Str. C. to I. C.

A large Brazil red Dahlia with capucine-orange reverse which shows as the petals curl. Blooms have been measured up to 12 inches by 8 deep and held on cane-like stems. Bushes strong, 6 feet high.

Roots \$1.00

KING PETER, F. D.

A most beautiful white delicately blended lavender at tips. Blooms average from 7 to 8 inches and are held on cane-like stem, flowers facing. Plant is a sturdy grower with good branching habits. If you grow King Peter once you'll grow it every year. Height of plant 5 ft.

Roots 85c

LAKESIDE ANN [Koenig, 1946], S. C.

Yellow-gold and mallow-pink blend. Profuse bloomer. Scored at Storrs and West Virginia. Bush low, four feet. Stems slender but strong, hold flower facing and slightly up.

Roots 60c



KIRSTEN

FLAGSTEAD

KIRSTEN FLAGSTAD [Brown-Rocky River, 1945], F.D. or I.D.

Bloom 10 x 5, bush 5 ft. An artistic flower of buff with gold and apricot shadings. Early and prolific, and is on all 3 Honor Rolls.

Roots \$1.00

LAKESIDE BEAUTY [Koenig, 1946], F. D.

Outstanding introduction of Light pink with cream blend. Won FLOWER GROWER Silver Bowl at New York Show 1945. Won first prizes and special at Toledo and Cleveland Shows 1945. Healthy, profuse, a real winner. The greatest commercial Dahlia since Jersey Beauty.

Roots \$1.75

LAURA B. [Trauth 1950], S. C

For those who like beauty. Golden Yellow at base blending to deep Strawberry Red. Eight inch blooms with lacinated petals of excellent texture. Flowers have exceptional depth. Achievement Medal at Cleveland.

Roots \$3.00

L. C. K. [Koenig, 1945], S. C.

A beautiful Yellow-Autumn, straight cactus, averaging 5 inches, on long stems, that will give you an average of 30 blooms per plant each season. Certificate winner at both Storr's and East Lansing, under the name of Annabelle. Winner of Flower Grower award 1944 Ads Show, and we consider it the finest medium dahlia in existence.

Roots 65c

LIDICE [Pittman-Kemp, 1943], I. D.

Received highest award in the seedling class at the A. D. S. Show, New York. On three honor rolls. This very large beautiful Dahlia is a great grower, height about 6 ft., is a heavy producer of giant exhibition blooms. Color is delicate Ivory Cream, deepening to a lemon yellow toward the center.

Roots 65c

LINK'S BLUE TRIUMPH, (Link-Premier, 1941), F.D.

A bigger and better seedling of Blue River that has great size and grand color. Blooms 9 to 12 inches with ordinary field culture. The center is Petunia Violet that shades to light Phlox Purple petals. Long stiff stems. Award of Honor.

Roots 65c

LINK'S GORGEOUS, (Link-Premier, 1941), I. D.

A most gorgeous Dahlia of an unusual blend of shades and colors. The lower part of the broad petals being pale lemon yellow, the upper portion a bright shade of scarlet pink which also extends along the entire edges of the petals giving the blooms a most striking appearance. Many of the petals are deeply cut enhancing the beauty. Ideal stems hold the blooms facing. Foliage tough and insect resistant. Sturdy bushes grow 4½ to 5 ft. tall. Awarded a Certificate of Merit, under No. E-3138 at East Lansing, Mich., A. D. S. Trial Grounds.

Roots \$1.00

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LUCKY [Schutte, 1945]

A bright red cactus that won 1st in the under 8-inch class at Cleveland and the Mid-West at Louisville. Blooms are held facing on stiff wiry stems—starts blooming in July and continues until frost.

Roots \$1.00

MAD. C. JUSSIANT, (Belgium), Inc. C.

A highly recommended cactus. Color is unique and a lovely pure light clear lilac violet. A great exhibition variety. Erect stems. Winner of three certificates. H. R. D. S.

Roots 60c

MADONNA [Sarett-Ruschmohr, 1950]

Informal to semi cactus. Almost pure white. A large massive flower $11\frac{1}{2} \times 7$, with very good substance. A.D.S. Seedling Sweepstakes Gold Medal at New York. Winner of nine Achievement Medals, more than have ever before been won by one dahlia.

Roots \$3.00

MADAME CHIANG KAI-SHEK [Dahliadel, 1945], I. D.

Color a blend of rose-red and ostraceous buff. Size 9 to 10 inches by 5 to 6 inches. Naturally grows large, even without much disbudding. Some blooms lean to semi-cactus form. Plants 5 feet. Foliage broad leaves, dark and resistant to pests. Very brilliant color and useful.

Roots \$1.00

MAFFIE [Czechoslovakia, 1940], S. C.

A huge intense red semi-cac., a great prize winner, has been grown up to 14 inches and 8 or 9 deep. Good strong stems.

Roots \$1.15

MAGNIFICENT [Crystal, 1948], S. C.

A blend of light orange-yellow and orange-chrome, the general effect being golden orange. Blooms are 11 to 12 inches by 6 to 7 inches. When cut it grows in water and keeps well. Shaded and well fed, it can be grown very big. Bush height $5\frac{1}{2}$ feet, stems 10 to 12 inches. (Dudley) On all three Honor Rolls.

Roots \$1.25

MAGIC PRINCE (Hulin-Parella, 1941), S. C.

Rosy Magenta with a lighter reverse, under surface has bands of amaranth pink. A very lovely dahlia held on long stiff stems. Bush tall and good brancher.

Roots 85c

MAJOR VIERS [Viers-Rocky River, 1947], F. D.

Gold with peach suffusion on outer petals. Massive, ball-shaped flowers 9 to 11 inches in diameter. Strong rugged grower. Achievement Medals at Cleveland and East Liverpool. A Certificate of Merit and an Honor Roll dahlia.

Roots \$1.25

MARILYN DALE [Mollineaux, 1949] S. C.

Light roseine purple. Huge in size but attractive. Winner of many awards and on all Honor Rolls. Height $5\frac{1}{2}$ feet.

Roots \$2.00

MARY NOBLE [Australian, Foreign], F. D.

One of the best of its color and type. Phlox pink to bright mauve. Blooms have size, depth and good quality. Plants vigorous. Size 10 x 6.

Roots \$1.25

MARY TAYLOR (Taylor, 1940), Str. C.

Deep flesh pink and gold with all the points of a good Dahlia. Grows 9 by 4 inches. Held on fine stems. A good keeper. Bushes 6 feet. On Honor Roll. Achievement winner and scored at A. D. S. at East Lansing Trial Gardens.

Roots 75c

MASSASOTT, (Messier, 1941), I.D.

A massive flower, blooms 9 to 12 inches, 5 to 7 inches deep, held on long stiff stems that hold the flowers right out of the bush. A grand deep pink.

Roots \$1.15

MENTONE Str. C [Australia]

An orange yellow blend, good form and stems. The keen exhibitor will want this. Size 8 to 10 held on long stems.

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MICHAEL BLACK [Phillips-Hook, 1946], I. D.

Described as a purple of about the same shade of reddish purple as the 1946 introduction, Mrs. Hester A. Pape. Blooms 10 to 11 inches in diameter with good depth. Eastern and Western Honor Rolls.

Roots \$1.25

MICHIGAN WHITE (Keiser-Lakeside) S. C.

The most prolific blooming cut flower white to date. Flowers run from 5 to 8 inches normally. As many as 18 to 25 opening at one time have been produced on one bush. Will bloom from July until frost, continuously shooting out long stems by the dozen. Certified at Storrs and East Lansing. Excellent root maker.

Roots 50c

MILTON J. CROSS (Johnson, 1936), I. D.

An immense flower of rich yellow-buff, the outer petals flushed with rosy amber. Winner of five firsts, including three Achievement Medals. Long stiff stems; good grower.

Roots 60c

MISS CONWAY [Knight-Premier, 1945], I. D.

Sometimes formal. An 8-5 inch bloom, beautiful shade of pinkish red, edges white. Good bush and stiff stems.

Roots \$1.00

MISS DORIS BRAND [Australian, 1949], F. D.

It is huge, and yet refined, the colour is unique. The base of each petal is gold, also the picotee edge; the remainder of each petal is mahogany to red. The plant is insect repellent, robust and free. Twelve inch blooms are produced freely. Very attractive.

Roots \$2.00 Net

MISS LIBERTY [Comstock, 1947], I. D.

Scarlet tipped white. The best bi-color we have ever grown. Unusually attractive. Stems long and strong.

Roots \$1.50

MISS NEWBURYPORT [Morrill, 1947], I. D.

Free blooming, large old gold dahlia, 8-10 inches by 4 to 5 inches in depth. Strong bush, stems straight and strong holding most blooms well above bush.

Roots \$1.00



MISS

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MISS SAN DIEGO [Comstock, 1946], I. C.

Incurved lacinated cactus. Lemon yellow, outer half of bloom tyrian pink. Blooms 9 x 7 on long straight stems. Honor Roll dahlia and winner of Certificates of Merit. Won A.D.S. Achievement Medal.

Roots \$1.00

MONARCH [Wallace, 1943], F. D.

One of the finest red formals. Rich blood red 7 to 10 inches blooms held on good stiff stems. Free bloomer.

Roots \$1.10

MONARCH OF THE EAST (Almy, 1938)

Color warm gold with apricot and orange buff suffusion; slightly coppery red on reverse. Grand stem up to 4 feet; holds giant flower above bush. Size 12 to 14 inch blooms and fine for exhibition. H. R. and Certificate winner.

Roots 60c

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MOONBIA, (Foreign), S.C.

Medium to large blooms of peach pink and gold; good stems and bush.

Roots 50c

MONTEBELLO [Robinson, 1943], I. D.

A rich violet or orchid crimson. Deep and full, back petals curl backward covering stem. Free bloomer, good keeper and fine stems.

Roots 50c

MOSCOW [Grove-Premier, 1945], I. D.

Bloom 10 x 6, bush 5 ft. An intense carmine that stands heat and drought without burning. Long stiff stems, and thick leathery foliage. Winner of several awards, and on Col. Eddy's Honor Roll.

Roots \$1.25



MOYUA

MOYUA [Australian], A-St.-C. or SC-B.

Large, well formed blooms of excellent substance. Centers are yellow blending to a lively rose-pink toward the outer edges of petals. Stems are very good. Plant grows quite tall. A fine exhibition variety. Size 10 x 4½.

Roots \$2.00

MRS. E. J., [St. C.—Rocky River, 1946]

Clear, brilliant pink with white at centers and very lightly tipped white. Exceptionally good in our garden and field. Winner of three Certificates of Merit in 1945 as follows: Storrs with a score of 85; East Lansing, 85.3; Cincinnati, 85.8. On Eastern Honor Roll.

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MRS. GEORGE LE BOUTILLIER (Smith-Ruschmohr, 1935), I. D.

A he man's flower everyone likes. Is a bright carmine red, shading to a rich cardinal red at the center, with full petal and deep flower. The average diameter of this Dahlia is 10 inches.

Roots 40c

MRS. WM. S. KNUDSEN (Dixie, 1938), I. D.

A pure white that will be hard to beat as it already has a fine record as a prize winner; exhibited 4 times in the undis-seminated classes it was 4 times a winner; Detroit, Toledo, Indianapolis and Chicago. Can be grown to 12 inch blooms without forcing; sturdy bushes grow 6 to 7 feet tall. On Mr. Barron's Honor Roll; Certificate winner at East Lansing.

Roots 65c

MRS. W. KEENE, (Australian), I.D.

Exceptionally fine Dahlia something like California Idol with the same great depth but is much superior to California Idol both in form and color. Color primrose flushed apricot-flesh. Good grower and long stiff stems.

Roots 40c

MRS. THOS. A. EDISON [Chautauqua, 1942], I. D.

A brilliant-flashing velvety red to carmine bloom of 10 to 12 inches across and good depth. Strong straight stems and a husky grower.

Roots 50c



MRS. HESTER A. PAPE

MRS. HESTER A. PAPE. [Pape-Rocky River, 1946]

A really big fellow. Color is red-lish-purple. Has been a consistent winner in "red", and "purple" classes in open-to-all competition. American Home Achievement Medal winner at Cleveland and Baltimore and tied for this medal at East Liverpool. Plants are tall. A good grower and profuse bloomer. This is a variety that anyone can grow. On Western and Midwest Honor Rolls.

Roots \$1.50

MRS. MINIVER — C.

A very fine pink and white cactus dahlia blended so its color is nearly apple blossom pink. Stem good, bush 3 ft.

Roots 50c

MRS. RITA CAMPEAU [Campeau, 1949], I. D.

Of superb color and form. This Dahlia is almost in a class by itself. Color oxblood red to darker at center, with petals twisting and rolling together at ends. Diameter of blooms 10 to 12 inches, depth 6 inches. Stems cane like 12 to 16 inches, flowers facing. Prolific bloomer and good keeper. Certified at East Lansing and Mid South Trial Garden, Fairmount, W. Va.

Roots \$1.50

MUSTANG, S. C.

Truly a variety of outstanding quality of the truest shade of pink imaginable, slightly paling at the tips of petals. One of the most faultless exhibition type with not a petal misplaced and carried perfectly upright on extra long, clean stems well above the tall, strong plant. Easy to grow with every bloom reliable and very free flowering. A glorious Novelty I am proud to offer.

Roots \$1.00

NAGELS SENSATION [FD]

A rich salmon rose and yellow. Blooms, 5 to 8 inches and held on long stiff stems.

Roots 60c

NAGELS SUPERB [Foreign], I. D.

A fine large light yellow, 8 to 10 inch blooms, held on long stiff stems.

Roots \$1.25

NATION'S PRIDE [Heil, 1944], I. D.

Color blend of peach red suffused buff and chrome yellow with apricot red at center. Long stems holding large flowers erect on side. Blooms 9 by 6 inches. Bush 4 ft., with rugged foliage. Certificate of Merit at Storrs, Conn.

Roots \$1.00

NELLIE RETZER [1951], S. C.

Cerise. Honor Roll 1950. A very fine dahlia. One of the best.

Roots \$1.50

Edison's Dahlias

NEW LOOK [Guttler, 1949], S. C.

Color Empire yellow, very large blooms, running 12 to 14 inches. Long stiff stems. Bushes 6 ft. tall. Winner of American Home Achievement Medal and others. Winner as largest and most perfect bloom in Long Island Show.

Roots \$1.50

NICKY K. [Koenig, 1949], S. C.

Brilliant Scarlet. Size 6 to 7 inches across by 4 inches deep. Stems strong, bush height 4 feet. Keeps well. A fine commercial type.

Roots \$1.00

NOBBYS LIGHT [I. D.], AUSTRALIA

A rich lemon yellow. Large blooms 8 to 10 inch. Held on good stiff stems.

Roots \$1.35

NORTHERN LIGHTS [Right, 1947], C.

11 x 6 white. One of the largest cactus dahlias in existence. Score 84 at East Lansing and is on Eddy's Honor Roll.

Roots \$1.50

OAKLAND BEAUTY [1940], F. D.

A fine new white, 5 to 8 inch blooms held on good straight stiff stems.

Roots 75c

OAKLEIGH CHAMPION [Phillips-Oakleigh, 1948], Inc.-Cac.

General color burnt orange and soft pink with lemon shadings at base of the long lacinated and twisted petals. Blooms 8 to 10 inches by 5 inches deep, held on long stiff stems. Bush 5 feet. On three Honor Rolls and an Achievement Medal Winner.

Roots \$1.00

OGDEN REID [Kelly-Parella, 1945] F. D.

Spinel pink blended with rose pink and striping of promuline yellow, center deep rose. Very large blooms. 12½ x 6¼ inches and larger. Canelike stems up to 15 inches. Vigorous grower, good bloomer.

Roots 75c

ONE HUNDRED PERCENT [Beaver, 1944], I. D.

The color is deep rosy pink, grows large without any extra care to 10 inches. Good strong stems and free branching. Bush 4 and one-half feet and strong open grower.

Roots \$1.25

PAOLI LOCAL [Alleva, 1950], S. C.

Blend of Rose and Yellow, classified as Pink. Clean growth. Flower size 10 to 12 inches diameter by heavy depth on good stems. Show record—Achievement Medal at 1949 Greater Philadelphia Show. Won total of 24 first prizes in open competition at 5 shows. Quality high, but price low for an Honor Roll dahlia.

Roots \$3.00 Net

PEARL HARBOR, I. D., 1943, Dixie D. G.

An 8 inch to 10 inch flower that rolls back to the stem. A rosy lavender, flecked and splashed dark purple, which appears blood red. Named in memory of the tragedy at Pearl Harbor—American's rosy spot, which splattered with blood on December 7.

Roots \$1.15

PEPPERMINT CANDY, S. C.

Long creamy white petals with many stripes and splashes of crimson. Good size and very unusual.

Roots 60c Net

PERMANENT WAVE [Goetzger, 1951], I. D.

An unusual formed informal decorative of fuschia purple. Petals are distinctly quilled from centers to tips, and beautifully ruffled. Achievement Medal winner at Washington, D. C. Size 9½ x 5.

Roots \$5.00 Net

Largest to Smallest Grown

PINK ALICE [Franklin, 1945] S. C.

A soft rose pink center, petals twist showing a lighter reverse in the higher center. Free bloomer and a beauty on long stems.

Roots \$1.00

PINK GIANT, (Bruidegom-Mad River Gardens), I.D. to S.C.

Certainly one of the most beautiful of the new Dahlias. A four Honor Roll Dahlia. Very large flowers of clear, pure pink, with the same color as Julius C. Bunge. Perfect long stems, and a splendid vigorous plant, 4½ to 5 feet. Don't miss this one.

Roots 80c

PINK PROFUSION, (Cordes-Dahliadel, 1942), F.D. to I.D.

Salmon-pink edged deep rose-pink, with cream at center when mature. Perfect center. Size 7 by 4 inches. Bush 4½ feet. Excellent keeper. Long stems. Since Jersey Beauty, we have not had a pink like it and it differs from that favorite.

Roots 50c

PREMIER'S "WINSOME" (1939), I. D.

The most attractive pink I. D. since Kathleen Norris and easy to grow giving massive blooms in great abundance, will grow to 11 x 6 inches without any forcing, stems slender but very strong, heavy foliage that is resistant to insects and mildew. Certified at East Lansing with a score of 85.2.

Roots 85c

PRIDE OF AUSTINBURG (Strassen, 1936), I. D.

A giant informal decorative. Color, a grenadine pink suffused light yellow. Center and reverse rich rose. Strong, open plant growth, with long cane-like stems, requiring a minimum of disbudding. A profuse bloomer. Certificates of merit at both East Lansing and Storrs. Highest score 87, of all Dahlias at Storrs in 1935. (H. R.)

Roots 45c

PRIDE OF PARKERSBURG [Smith, 1951], S. C.

A deep primrose yellow. Good stems and form. Winner of Achievement Medals at Cleveland and East Liverpool in 1947. On Flower Grower's Honor Roll in 1949.

Roots \$5.00 Net

PURPLE TRIUMPH [Kemp, 1947], I. D.

This new wonder dahlia is marvelously beautiful. Its rich violet purple is not found in any other known variety. Its 12 x 7 inch blooms are held facing high above the top foliage on very stiff stems. Height of plant, 5 feet and over, heavy leathery-like foliage. Early and prolific bloomer until frost. Good root maker.

Roots \$1.50

RAY SMITH [Scheffel, 1946], I. D.

A winner named for the popular Pres. of the N. J. Society lost in a U-Boat sinking. Clear deep Tyrian pink with white tips. A very fine dahlia.

Roots \$1.00

RED MENACE, I. D.

One of the newer introductions and one of the best. Color deep, dark red. We enjoyed this Dahlia last year and you will too.

Roots 60c

RETZER CREAM [Retzer, 1951], I. C.

Incurve cactus. Color, cream. Size 8½ x 4. Ht. 5 feet. On Honor Roll, and free bloomer.

Roots \$1.50

Edison's Dahlias

RETZER'S RED [1948], Cactus.

Size 9 by 6 inches. Color dark red or fuchsia red. A beautiful flower on good stems.

Roots 90c

REV. C. A. MULHERN, Str. C.

A fine bright red. Wonderful Cactus variety. 5 ft. bush, free bloomer.

Roots \$1.00

RETZER ROSE [Retzer, 1951], S. C. to Informal.

Color, dusty old rose. Size 10 x 4. Height 5 feet. Achievement Medal winner. Honor Roll 1949.

Roots \$2.00

RITA WELLS [Wells Straight, 1939]

A very large Dahlia. Informal Decorative to semi-cactus. Grenadine-pink on buff. Achievement Medal winner. Certificate of Merit at Fairmont, W. Va.

Roots 40c

RONNIE LEE [Dorff, 1945]

Semi-cactus to I. D. Capucine yellow base with yellow buff effect. Blend of scarlet red and salmon orange on petals. Better than Dahliamum, height 6 to 7 feet. Blooms 10 to 14 $\frac{1}{4}$ inches. Early to late bloomer. Many as 7 to 10 blooms at one time. On J. Louis Robert's Honor Roll.

Roots \$1.25

ROSALIE GORDON F. D. [Australia]

Cyclamen pink deepening at center. Size 10 to 5 and one of the finest in my 1951 garden. Fine stiff stems 10 to 12 inches long. Good keeper when cut.

Roots \$1.75

ROSE GLORY, F. D.

Always vigorous, healthy, free-blooming, on long stems. Very long-keeping and a lovely pure deep rose-pink in color.

Roots 45c

RUDOLPH MOTZNICK, [Retzer, 1949], I. D.

Color blend of two shades of lavender-pink, general effect light lavender. At least 11 inches across and deep. Petals curl in a graceful manner.

Roots \$1.50

RUFFLES [Wenning, 1946], I. D.

Long stemmed dahlia, 10 inch bloom (larger when dis-budded). Beautiful shell pink with ruffles on both sides of petals. An excellent flower and it has a tight center throughout the season.

Roots \$1.00

RUFFLED GIANT [Kemp, 1946], I. D.

Very fine Orange buff. One of the largest dahlias in our planting. Very highly recommended, free bloomer.

Roots 50c

RUTH NICHOLS, (Sowton-Mad River, 1941), F.D.

No doubt one of the finest new Dahlias of 1941. A sure winner in its color class. A lavender formal that should defeat Blue River on the show table. Vigorous rugged plants with long strong stems holding all flowers facing, or on top. Color a lively shade of Amaranth pink, with a phlox purple tinge, giving a lavender appearance. High scorer and fine for exhibition.

Roots \$1.10



SALLY KLEIN

SALLY KLEIN [Kelly-Parrella, 1947], F. D.

General effect pink, described as Tyrian pink and pinard yellow with both colors showing in lines on the broad petals. Blooms average about nine inches. On all Honor Rolls.

Roots \$2.00

SALEM SUNSHINE [Salem 85A]

Bloom 10 to 6 inches, bush 4 feet. A fine large light lemon yellow. Early, profuse and a vigorous grower. Flowers are held facing side to upward. A good root maker. Well worth your trial to get an easy to grow large yellow.

Roots 60c

SHELDON'S LOUISE [Shedon], I. D.

A gigantic bloom of a lovely, rich red with a slight purplish shade. 14 inches by 7 inches, at Boston 1936, where it won First Prize and a Special Gold Medal. Plants grow 5 to 7 feet tall; blooms on giant stems, 3 to 4 feet long, center perfect.

Roots \$1.50

SHERWOOD'S PEACH [Sherwood, 1944], I.D.

Another giant introduction. Color, ochereous buff. Size of blooms 11-14 inches by 8-9 inches in depth. Straight stiff stems. A sure contender in the largest bloom in the show class. On Eastern Honor Roll.

Roots 50c

SKYROCKET [Sarett-Ruschmohr, 1947], StC.

A clear vermillion, straight cactus growing up to twelve inches in diameter. A very "neat" flower with an impressive pre-introduction winning record. On all Honor Rolls.

Roots \$1.25

SON OF SATAN (Slocum, 1937)

An immense incurved cactus flame red with excellent stems. This sensational four Honor Roll Dahlia is the strongest and most vigorous grower in our collection. The flowers are large and attractive.

Roots 75c Net

SOUTHERN LEADER [Dozier, 1948], I. C.

8 to 10½ inches bright scarlet, lightly tipped yellow, on strong stems. The leading competitor for the red incurved cactus class. Winner of many blue ribbons. H. R.

Roots \$1.50



SARETT'S PINK FLAMINGO

SARETT'S PINK FLAMINGO [Sarett, 1944]

Incurved cactus. A clear rose pink incurved cactus of exquisite color and formation. As the bloom develops, colors change: young blooms are shell pink on petal with yellow blend at the base; mature blooms are deeper pink, with gold tones at the center and slight gold tips. The blooms are beautifully formed, with excellent substance and perfect centers, pointed, tight and symmetrical. Size 8-11 inches, stem straight and strong. Vigorous grower, free flowering. A sure winner on the show table. Winner of many medals and prizes.

Roots \$1.50

SOUTHERN ROSE [Southern, 1945], I. D.

Bloom 10 x 6, bush 4½ ft. A deep bright rose pink with lighter shadings. Very satisfactory for the garden or exhibition. Healthy vigorous grower.

Roots \$1.25

STARDUST [Comstock, 1950], I. D.

8 x 5 inches. A shiny glistening pink. Shows white lines lengthwise of petals and intermingled with lavender rose. It is a light blend but because of the lines is a real novelty.

Roots \$2.50

STELLAETTE [Rosemary, 1945], F. D. to Inf. Dec.

This velvety deep red is what some dahlia critics call a red Calif. Idol. Cane like stems which can carry the largest blooms erect. Foliage insect proof. Blooms average 11 inches by 8 inches. An excellent keeper when cut. Listed on the Mid West and Pacific Coast Honor Rolls.

Roots \$1.00

STEPHEN FOSTER, (Salem, 1942), I.C.

Buff orange and tyrian rose of large size. Very hardy. Winner of four Achievement Medals, two A.D.S. Medals besides many other specials and blue ribbons.

Roots 75c

STUDENT PRINCE, [S. C.]

Bloom 10 x 5. A long stemmed semi-cactus of clear bright gold. Perfect open habit of growth with heavy dark foliage. Flowers are very deep and have wonderful substance when cut. Very prolific and easy to grow. Bush 5 feet.

Roots 65c

SUNBURST [Smith, 1946], I. D.

Color greenish yellow, lightly overcast mallow-pink. Unopened center florets apricot buff, others are pale lemon yellow, but the apricot buff persists. Finished off with a glistening sheen. Size of flowers 11 in. by 8½ in. deep. Blooms facing on 10 in. to 14 in. strong cane-like stems.

Roots \$1.50

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SUNRAYS [Straight-Ruschmohr], I. D.

Clear buff suffused apricot with a distinct peach red on reverse of petals. Its faults are hard to find. One of the best. Was certified at W. Va. and E. Lansing, and still wins.

Roots \$1.00

SYDNEY, (Geer-New Zealand, 1942), I.D.

9 to 11 inches. A beautiful rose pink with a tinge of gold at base of petals. Good stiff stem and strong bush 5 feet high.

Roots \$1.00

SWEETEST, I. D.

Base creamy yellow. Shading pink nearly to tips which show lavender. 7-10 inch blooms, 4 to 5 inches deep. Strong bush and good bloomer.

Roots 75c

TARAWA [Goetzer, 1945], S. C.

Large shaggy purplish wine red Semi-Cactus with silver reverse. Certified at Cincinnati. On Mid-West Honor Roll.

Roots \$1.15

THE CARDINAL [Baker-Ruschmohr, 1949], S. C.

A beautiful spectrum red, one of the outstanding varieties of the year. Achievement medal winner and many other awards. 10 to 12 inch blooms on good stems.

Roots \$2.00

THE REAL GLORY [Stephenson, F. D.]

Bloom 10 by 5 inches. An excellent new crisp white formal. It has performed very well during the last year and is highly recommended. This one will have to be reckoned with on the show table. Excellent keeping qualities.

Roots 80c

THE VOLUNTEER [Whittacker-Rus 85A], I. D.

Bloom 11 x 7, bush 4 feet. Deep Tyrian or Dianthus purple with lighter tips. Vigorous grower and prolific bloomer. Won 2 American Home Achievement Medals in 1949 and 2 A.D.S. Seedling Awards in 1950. Certified at Ga., Long Island, and New Brunswick, winning the Derrill W. Hart Gold Medal. On all 4 of the Flower Grower Honor Rolls.

Roots \$6.00 Net

TILBURY'S STARLIGHT [Australian] C. to S. C.

A dahlia of exceptional merit. Colour, Reddish Brown tipped and flushed Gold. Extremely vigorous, each bloom having perfect formation, center and stems. The ideal exhibitor's flower.

Roots \$1.25

THOS. A. EDISON (Dahliadel, 1931), F. D.

A wonderful Dahlia of stag horn petalled formation and a gorgeous rays purple color. Very attractive and good bloomer. Fine stiff stems.

Roots 60c

TOKEN [Hulin, 1951], Cac.

A small bloom of clear rose-cerise held on long stiff stems. Fine for arrangements, good keeping novelty.

Roots \$2.00

TOP-FLIGHT, (Dozier, 1942), S.C.

11-inch bright blood red of perfect formation, facing just right on extra long, strong stems. Most vigorous grower. Fade-proof in hottest summer on record. Gold Certificate of Merit at 1940 Washington Show. Achievement Medal winner at Boston, Wilmington and Richmond and runner-up at Baltimore. \$25.00 cash award as best in Show at Richmond. On Futurity and all honor rolls.

Roots \$1.50

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TORERO [S. C.], France

A Blood Red & Yellow edges. Novelty of 6 to 10 inch blooms. Good stem. Strong grower.

Roots \$1.00

UNCLE DUDLEY [Churm-Retzer, 1949], INC.-CAC.

Naturally is bi-color, fuchsia red and white. Should win in this class. Have measured blooms 10 by 5 inches. Bush height medium tall.

Roots \$1.10

VIN WELL CRINKLES, I. D., 1941 (Blamer-Parrella)

Color, orchid shading to shrimp pink toward the tip. Petals crinkle, hence the name "Crinkles." Size of bloom 8½ inches x 5 inches or better. Long graceful stem holds the flower facing. Blooms are beautiful and very attractive to the eye. Early and prolific bloomer with insect-resisting foliage.

Roots 50c

VIRGINIA RUTE (Chappaqua, 1939), I. D.

An exceptionally large flower on extra long stems. Blooms of deep rich velvety maroon with broad pointed petals, having tight centers, good form and substance, are held well out of the foliage on long erect stems. Easily grows to immense size without coddling. 10 to 12 inches by 9 inches deep. The bush growth is vigorous, the foliage insect resistant. Height 5 to 6 feet. Don't miss growing this one.

Roots \$1.00

VIRGINIA B. TAGGERT [Pape-Rocky River, 1950], F. D.

Light blend of pastel colors, white with blush of fuchsia pink. Bloom 11 by 6 inches and rather flat on face but opens slowly and grows very large.

Roots \$2.50

WATCHUNG GIANT [Smith], I. D.

Deep amber yellow, suffused orange carmine, with dark green and insect resistant foliage. Listed on Honor Roll.

Roots 50c

WHIRLAWAY, (Pittman-Dahliadel, 1942), I. D.

Color between lemon and sulphur-yellow. It can be put up against some of the present quality yellows and win. Large, 11 by 6 inches without much forcing. Foliage pointed like holly and very attractive. Good bush vitality. Stems fine.

Roots 50c

WHITE CHRISTMAS [Scheffel, 1944], F. D. to I. D.

Vigorous grower with heavy insect resisting foliage. 10 inch blooms of white with grand stems are produced freely. Keeps very well when cut.

Roots \$1.10

WHITE WONDER [Kemp, 1933], I. D.

The largest fluffy white to date. Long graceful wavy petals and easily grown from 10 inches up. Strong plants and long stiff stems. (H. R.)

Roots 40c

WINDLASSIE [Rocky River, 1947], I. D.

Pure glistening white. Twisting petals roll all the way back to the stem, forming a ball-shaped flower. Size 8-10 inches. Excellent for specimen bloom classes and a good keeper when cut. On all three Honor Rolls.

Roots \$1.50

WORLD EVENT [Dixie, 1944], I. D.

11 x 8 inches, rose pink. A seedling of A. Goodacre, with the same free blooming and branching habit as its parent and grandparent, Golden Goblin, which produced the free-blooming Mrs. C. E. Wildon, Mason's Purple Beauty and many others. It is as large as the other informal pinks with added depth. "It is a knockout," were the reports of those who had it on trial. Received a Certificate of Merit at Storrs and East Lansing in 1943. On all three Flower Grower Honor Rolls.

Roots 90c

Prices Reasonable

WINONA [ID-Kilgore-Ruschmohr, 1950]

A color blend of peach and Naples yellow. Size 7 to 8 by 3½ to 4 inches. Stem 8 inches. Plant 4 feet. A beautiful novelty.

Roots \$3.00

YELLOW GLORY [Frey-Dahliadel, 1940]

A magnificent semi-cactus of clear lemon yellow color. It is a large bloom 12 by 7 inches. It is beautiful in form with artistically twisted petals and a very high full center. Perfect stems, a good sturdy bush about 5 feet tall. Awarded Certificate of Merit and a place on the Honor Rolls.

Roots \$1.00

CLOSE-OUT BARGAINS of STANDARD VARIETIES

In order to make room for the new ones and reduce our plantings we list many fine ones in this selection. Stock limited of many, so when ordering after April 1st make a second choice. All varieties named and labeled.

Roots

APRICOT GLOW, I. D.

Beautiful color of blended pink and apricot. Blooms 5 to 8 inches and held on good stems.

\$0.25

ARELDA LLOYD (1934) (I. D.)

A soft, deep, yellow, slightly flushed with apple blossom pink with pink veining on the reverse of the petals, which sometimes fold back to the stem. Scored 87 A. D. S.

\$0.30

AVALON

Pure clear yellow, large flowers distinct and fine, held on good stems.

\$0.30

CHARLOTTE CALDWELL [Ball, 1937]

Orange shaded terra cotta.

\$0.30

ENCHANTRESS [Stolz, 1942], I. D.

Bright orange buff of good substance and profuse bloomer. Blooms 6 to 10 inches and good stems, bush 5 feet.

\$0.40

FRAU FRANCOIS NAGELS (Foreign), I. D. to S. C.

Medium sized flower held on good stiff stems. Color an odd shade of reddish maroon. Very good bloomer.

\$0.30

GOLDEN ECLIPSE [Badetty], F. D.

Color is a golden yellow with a salmon blush.

\$0.25

GOV. HEIL (Delwood, 1940), Cac.

A beautiful combination of color of orange and burnt orange towards the center, a free bloomer and good grower. Flowers 10 by 7 inches. Buds appear to be a purple cast.

\$0.40

HILLCREST SUNSET

A beautiful blending of sunset shades. A very attractive dahlia.

\$0.25

H. R. S.—HUBERT ROY STOVEL [Seal] I. D.

True yellow. On Hart's Honor Roll for 1933. The golden yellow blooms are huge, held high above the foliage on long, stiff stems. Should be planted a little early.

\$0.40

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	Roots
JANE COWL (Downs), I. D. An immense flower of buff; produced on long stiff stems. Won several medals.	\$0.35
JEAN KERR [Ball] A florists cut flower of white color and good stiff stem good keeper.	\$0.25
JERSEY'S BEAUTY (Waite), F. D. Large true pink and old gold, blending with salmon.	\$0.35
JOSEPHINE G. (Grosscross Ruschmohr, 1932, S. C.) True rose pink petals tipped pinard yellow. Unusual bloom formation. (H. R.)	\$0.25
KING ALFRED, I. D. [Seal] Ruby red with a silver reverse. A good garden and exhibition variety. The color of this very large flower is distinctive and beautiful and the habit of growth, foliage and stem are all very good.	\$0.50
MARSHALL'S PINK, F. D. A very fine pink with rose center. Fine for cutting.	\$0.25
MARGARET COLE, F. D. A medium size dahlia. A beautiful tri-color flower. Yellow at the center shading to orange with silvery white tips. A fine grower and producer. Size of blooms, 5 to 6 inches in diameter.	\$0.25
MISS ONTARIO, [Show] Fine large deep pink Dahlia with a strong stem.	\$0.40
NANAQUAKET (Richards), F. S. Most beautiful shade of delicate orchid pink, each petal bordered with a hair line of deeper orchid color.	\$0.25
OMAR KHAYYAM (Stout), F. D. A Chinese red at the base of petals, shading to bright orange and tipped lighter, making a wonderful color effect. A tall healthy grower. (H. R.)	\$0.30
ORANGE MOON [Wallace, 1935], F. D. This new Dahlia is startlingly beautiful in form and color. The color is a soft buff shading to orange apricot deeper toward the base of petals and reverse shaded orange red.	\$0.35
PENN CHARTER (Hall, 1932), F. D. A strong grower. Autumn shaded. Blooms have great depth and beauty. (H. R.)	\$0.25
PURPLE OMAR KHAYYAM, (Wallace, 1940), I. D. As the name implies this dahlia is a sport of the very popular Omar Khayyam. The color is rosy purple, shading lighter at the tips of the petals. In everything but color it is identical to Omar Khayyam. The blooms are very beautiful and the color is throughly fixed.	Roots 40c
ROSE FALLON [Harding], F. D. Very fine flower of pleasing shades of amber, russet and salmon.	\$0.25
ROYCROFT A clear warm buff color. Flowers are produced in great abundance on dwarf bushes.	\$0.25

Roots

SANHICAN'S MONARCH (F. & M.), I. D.

Decorative. Rich tyrian rose centers; tips lighter. Splendid stems and foliage.

\$0.25

SHAHRAZADE (Newsome, 1932), I. D.

Another remarkable shade of bright pink. The form and size resemble Jane Cowl and the bushes are also vigorous. (H. R.)

\$0.40

THE COMMODORE [Scott Kemp, 1932], I. D.

Very large bright lemon yellow and prolific. Can easily be grown 12 inches or more. Not a tall grower, 4 to 5 feet, but strong plants. (H. R.)

\$0.25

W. H. T. (McCarroll, 1931), F. D.

Rich old rose on begonia rose with shades on the reverse of petals. It is a tall, robust grower, producing big flowers on strong stems.

\$0.35

WHITE JERSEY BEAUTY [Waite] F. D.

A beautiful pure white of the Jersey Beauty formation. Good stems, fine for cutting.

\$0.40

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MINIATURE DAHLIAS

Very popular for small gardens and cutting.

ANDREAS ORANGE, (Belgium) Miniature Cactus

This was outstanding in our garden this past season, and the best we have seen of this type. Color brilliant true orange; long slender stems, holding all flowers high above foliage, with a very prolific flowering habit. Extra.

Net \$0.50

BABY HALE, F. D.

Very fine bronze to autumn shaded flower. A good stemmed cut flower.

\$0.35

BABY FONTENEAU [Holland], F. D.

Bloom 4½ by 2½, bush 3 ft. Pale rose pink with yellow showing at base of petals. Blooms are uniform and artistic with full centers, but not over abundant.

\$0.40

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Roots

BISHOP OF LLANDAFF

A wonderful English bedding Dahlia. Intense red with dark bronze lacy foliage that contrasts beautifully with the flower.

\$0.35

BO BO [Frank-Rocky River, 1948], F. D.

Bloom 2 by 1½ inches, bush 4 ft. Bright primrose yellow suffused rose red. Long stems and good form. Excellent for arranging and exhibiting. Winner of many prizes. On 3 Honor Rolls.

\$0.35

*BUCKEYE BABY (Golden Rule 85S, 1936)

This fine miniature is really small and deep and while the bushes are dwarf, the stems are fine for cutting. Color, gold buff lightly shaded red on the reverse.

\$0.25

BUDDY [Koenig, 1944], F. D.

Our wonderful deep red miniature, prolific bloomer that will replace anything and everything in it's type or color. A certificate winner and Honor Roll Dahlia that you will surely want.

\$0.50

*CARLA (Dahliadel 83C, 1934)

Color is buff, heavily shaded old rose and suffused violet rose, a rich contrast to the dark green foliage. Ideal in the garden and for arrangements.

\$0.25

CORAL BLEND [Doermann, 1944], F. D.

Coral pink and citron yellow blended miniature formal. Scored 85.5 at Storrs and on both Western and Eastern Honor Rolls.

\$0.25

DEARIE F. D., 1947

Bloom 4-5x3, bush 3½ feet. Peach suffused and shaded rose pink. A pleasing color combination. Will grow 5 inches if disbudded. A prolific bloomer. Perfect stems.

\$0.65

DONNIE [Lakeside]

This a pretty incurved cactus dahlia which is of scarlet color with a tan reverse, having curled petals and growing about 3 to 6 inches in diameter and 3 inches in depth.

\$0.50

DUBONNET, M.S.C.

Color a rich, deep oxblood-red that does not fade or burn.

\$0.50

**ELIZABETH PAPE [C]

Small pale pink and white cactus on dwarf bush.

\$0.50

ERNEST HEWITT, F. D.

A very fine deep rose pink. Very good stems, size 2 to 3 inches, free bloomer.

\$0.40

ESCORT I. D.

Salmon pink with full centers on long stiff stems. A seedling of Baby Royal covered with bloom all season.

\$0.40

*FAIRY (Bond)

The formation and color the same as the famous Jersey Beauty. Pink.

\$0.25

FUZZY-WUZZY [Lakeside, 1947], Min. F. D.

Lacinated petals. General color effect is autumn. Extremely floriferous, and holds up well out of water.

\$0.50

A Trial Order Convinces You

- Roots**
- GLENDALASH** [Lash, 1945], I. D.
A pleasing shade of watermelon red. Good cut flower and colorful in the garden.
\$0.50
- HOMEACRES SWEETEST**, Cac.
A fine small cactus, long stiff stems. Color autumn shades at base with light tips. A prize winner.
\$0.40
- IKE** [Lakeside, 1945], M. F. D. or I. D.
Bloom $3\frac{1}{2}$ -5 x 2. A beautiful blood red Miniature that is fine for cutting. Described as having many tight, overlapping petals, each with lacinated tips. Has fine tight centers, and is a profuse bloomer.
\$0.30
- *IRENE**, F. D.
Fine old rose to coral pink; a perfect small exhibition flower held on long stems.
\$0.25
- JUBILANT** [Dahliadel, 1945], I. D.
Bloom 3 x 2, Bush $3\frac{1}{2}$ ft. We believe this is the first dahlia winning the Derrill W. Hart Memorial Gold Medal to score 85 and better in all 4 Official Trial Grounds the same year, with an average of 85.6. Makes a gay bright spot in any garden. Color is cherry red, inclined orange, with a lighter reverse. There is just no end of blooms.
\$0.60
- JUBILANT** [Holland]
Light lilac purple. Fine cut flower.
\$0.40
- LEMONADE** [Dixie, 1945], F. D.
3 in. Lemon yellow. A good companion for Orangeade. A seedling of Sylvia. Extremely free bloomer. On Eastern Honor Roll.
\$0.40
- LILY BELLE** [Franklin, 1944], F. D.
Small formal decorative of true rose pink with white at the center, on long strong stems. 3 to 4 inches in diameter by $2\frac{1}{2}$ to 3 inches deep. Northwest florist's favorite and fine cut flower. Healthy bush growth of $4\frac{1}{4}$ feet with clean foliage of medium green. Fine dahlia in baskets and bouquets.
\$0.40
- LINDA FOSS** [Cac.—Heaphy, 1945]
A beautiful pink with shadings of creamy yellow at base and center of bloom. Fine stems, free bloomer similar to Homeacres Sweetest but better root maker.
\$0.35
- LITTLE DIAMOND (S. C.) "Holland," 1939**
"Holland," 1939. Bloom $3\frac{1}{2}$ x 2, bush $2\frac{1}{2}$ feet. Color, violet rose with sulfur yellow at center. Certified at Haarlem, Amsterdam and Paris. The most beautiful foreign miniature we have seen. Do not miss this one.
\$0.50
- LITTLE INNOCENCE**
A fine small new white with rounded petals nearly cupped or quilled. Good stiff stems and 3 foot bush.
\$0.40
- LITTLE JENNIE CAC.**
Flesh color. Base canary. The rolled petals outer half lightly shaded pink.
\$0.50
- LITTLE JIMMY** [Lakeside, 1949], F. D.
Here's one you can pick all fall. Pure white nearly round 3 to $3\frac{1}{2}$ inches across and $2\frac{1}{2}$ inches deep, long strong stems. On Dudley's Honor Roll.
\$0.60

LITTLE NEMO [Chase 86S]

A striking crimson uniformly tipped white which is uncommon in bi-colors. Very pleasing and regular form, but sometimes grows too large for the Miniature class. The blooms are very beautiful.

\$0.60

LITTLE PEACHES [Vanderheid(Kemp, 1945), SW. Cac.

Bloom $3\frac{1}{2}$ x $1\frac{1}{2}$, Bush 3 ft. One of the best little Miniatures of a pleasing salmon pink suffused rose pink. A winner at Shows. Long wiry stems, and a prolific bloomer.

\$0.50 Net

LITTLE SHEIK [Franks, 1947]

Min. S.C.-Min.C. Exhibition and commercial. Bi-color, carmine and white. White section of petals runs lengthwise.

\$0.60

LITTLE WISTERIA, [Dixie 1943], Min. F. D.

Color is a lavender, the same shade as a Wisteria bloom with a darker purple center, the same as Wisteria buds. Has a wide spreading, free-blooming bush. The centers never come open the latter part of the season as do most miniatures. On the Eastern and Western Honor Rolls.

\$0.40

MAUVEENE

Small blooms of lavender mauve of the informal type on stems holding them nearly upright. Very attractive.

\$0.30

MISS PLUMB [Beaver-Dahliadel, 1947], M. F. D.

2 x $1\frac{1}{2}$, bush 2 feet. Miniatures in purple are very rare, so we feel this dainty one will become very popular, as it is a bright rhodamine purple shading lighter at the base of the petals. Blooms are small, but full centered. A fine grower, with strong slender stems. Certified at W. Va. On all three Honor Rolls.

\$0.40

NIDA SENEFF [Foreign], Min. S. C.

Dahlia is begonia rose with amber yellow center, outer petals deep carmine rose. Early and free bloomer, strong and straight stems.

\$0.25

NORMA JEAN [Shepard, 1948], StC.

Bloom 4 by 3 inches, bush 5 ft. An outstanding coral pink with light yellow center. Narrow spiky petals that are lacinated at tips. Winner of many prizes.

\$1.00

***ORCHID LADY (1935), F. D.**

Here is a little champion. The color is orchid pink. It is a wonderful little Dahlia all the way round.

\$0.35

ORANGEADE [Dixie, 1946], F. D.

Min. 3 inch Indian orange. An entirely new color. A free bloomer on a low spreading bush. Certificate of Merit at Ohio. On Western and Mid-West Honor Rolls.

\$0.50

PETER, [M. C.] [English]

Yellow suffused and lightly tipped red. In bloom early and late.

\$0.50

PINK LADY [DeGroot 85]

Bloom $2\frac{1}{2}$ x 2, bush $2\frac{1}{2}$ ft. Deep rose pink with yellow shadings at base of petals. Free blooming. Attractive, uniform flowers that arrange easily.

\$0.65

RASPBERRY [1946], I. D.

A nice tan shade to raspberry red center. A 2 to $2\frac{1}{2}$ inch bloom of one inch depth, held on good strong stems.

\$0.40

Sure to Grow Roots

Roots

RED BONNET, (Lee-Hulin), F.D.

Reports say this is a true gem in the red miniatures. The blooms are small and produced abundantly all season.

\$0.40

RED ROBIN [Dahliadel], F. D.

Bloom 2½ x 2, Bush 3 ft. Bright scarlet that does not fade or burn. Perfect form and stems, sturdy bushes and very profuse. Excellent for cuttingwork. Winner of many prizes and universally liked.

\$0.50

RED SEA, I. D.

Crimson, a fine Dahlia to have in any garden.

\$0.30

***RHODA, I. D.**

Beautiful shade of shrimp pink. Fine cut flower.

\$0.30

RIALSIDE BABY [Rialside, 1947], F. D. to I. D.

A bright scarlet. Blooms 2 to 3 inches held on a good stem. Free bloomer and one of the finest.

\$0.40

ROYALTY, (Australia)

Finest new lavender I have seen. Blooms 2 to 3 inches, held on fine stems. Prolific bloomer and good brancher. Bush 2 to 3 feet high.

\$0.35

SNOW [Dahliadel, 1946]

One of our best pure whites with petals lightly edged lavender. This dainty Formal Decorative is appealing in form as the petals cup back reminding you of a gardenia. Blooms are 3 x 2 inches and it grows about 3½ ft. It is extremely early, and needs no pampering as it does best with just ordinary culture and plenty of sunshine.

\$1.00

SNOW PRINCE [Australia], C.

Perfect white. Having long stiff stems.

\$0.75

SPRINGHILL ROSE [Edison, 1942], F. D.

A beautiful rose red, 2 to 3-inch blooms held on long stiff stems and a prolific bloomer. Fine for forest work.

\$0.25

SUSAN R. [Rev. Moyer-Ruschmohr], 1942

Semi-cactus miniature in the blend class of salmon, pink and tan, averaging 3 inches, blooming from August until frost. Bush grows about 3 feet tall. Winner in the open to all class for miniatures in the New York Show. Also Rockville Center, N. Y., on Honor Roll.

\$0.60

***SYLVIA, F. D.**

A winner! A dahlia that grows well. The most free-flowering garnet red miniature in commerce. Ideal for cutting.

\$0.25

TARGET [Heaphy, 1943], I. D.

One of the finest orange shades and blooms, average 2 to 3 inches. Strong bush, free bloomer and long straight stiff stems.

\$0.30

THE BISHOPS SPECIAL [Edison, 1951], Peony-Dec.

A very dark red seedling of Bishop of Llandaff with 3 to 4 rows of fine petals. Center nearly black, turning to gold when fully out. Free bloomer. Good stiff stems. Fine for cutting.

\$0.50

***VERITY WADSWORTH, F. D.**

This is the Dahlia you have been wanting. A very bright yellow miniature. Fine form, profuse bloomer. Splendid cut flower.

\$0.50

PLANTING INSTRUCTIONS

Roots

Roots should be planted in trenches or holes four inches deep in heavy soil and six inches deep in sandy soil laid flat down (not on end) and covered with earth not over two inches in depth, filling in as the plant develops. Where drainage is poor, do not plant so deep and keep a furrow open between rows to facilitate drainage in wet weather.

You cannot expect a dahlia to grow in any wet soggy ground or expect replacements when planted in ground in this condition. Wait a few days for ground to dry out somewhat.

1950 Plant Note

Owing to the labor conditions, I am not listing plants or rooted cuttings, but will grow them as usual from the later introductions and they can be had when called for at my greenhouse.

All Late Introductions

Below is a partial list of late introductions I am growing in 1952 and expect to list roots in 1953.

Agnes E. James
B and B
Fanny Levy
Firegleam
Millgrove
Nellie Retzer

Permanent Wave
Pride of Parkersburg
Retzler's Rose
Rubellett
The Volunteers
Whiz Kid

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